## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION MERRILL FIELD AIRPORT TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER 1950 EAST 5<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501

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A portion of the Merrill Segment has been designated CARTEE Airspace for use by the military when landings are needed for Runway 34 at Elmendorf. This airspace is defined as that portion of the Merrill Segment that is north of Debarr Road and between Muldoon Road and Pine Street. Pine Street is the road just west of the CARTEE softball fields.

Elmendorf will utilize the CARTEE airspace for a variety of aircraft operations, which may include HEAVY JET aircraft. Be alert and use caution for wake turbulence when flying in the vicinity of the CARTEE airspace when it is advertised as active.

Pilots should always remember that the CARTEE Airspace should be avoided by remaining over or west of the Costco Warehouse building and over or south of Debarr Road.

Pilots can expect the following procedures and routes to be used when the CARTEE Airspace is active:

## Inbound Aircraft:

From the EAST landing Runway 25 - Report Totem Theater then fly westbound to Providence Hospital. Plan to enter a left base or follow traffic on left downwind.

From the EAST landing Runway 7 - Enter right downwind over Northern Lights Blvd.

From the WEST landing Runway 25;

a. Enter left downwind over West Anchorage High School, or b. Enter right downwind over Ship Creek and if traffic is light, right base inside of Costco, or you might be

instructed to cross midfield to follow traffic on left downwind.

## Outbound Aircraft:

Departing Runway 25 to the east- Fly left downwind departure over Northern Lights.

Departing Runway 7 to the east- Turn right crosswind prior to Bragaw (COSTCO), then south to Northern Lights, then eastbound.

Departing Runway 7 to the west- Fly normal Ship Creek departure turning left crosswind prior to Bragaw Street (COSTCO). If you are accustomed to extending upwind to the east to accomplish a climbing Ship Creek departure, ask Ground Control for a climbing right downwind departure. Then, turn right crosswind prior to Bragaw Street (COSTCO), climb in the right downwind until 2000' MSL, then northwest bound to Sleeper's Strip.

Expect the number of aircraft in the touch and go pattern to be limited to 3 or less. If the arrival/departure traffic gets heavy, touch and go traffic may be asked to depart the pattern or make a full stop.

If you are in the Runway 25 touch and go pattern and we need to get departures out, you may be instructed to turn base inside of Costco, remaining at pattern altitude and go around over the runway.

Helicopter traffic utilizing the Golf Course arrival/departure procedure will be clear of the CARTEE Airspace as long as you remain on or south of Debarr Road.

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## CARTEE AIRSPACE

